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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please enter the following Amendment:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-10.

Please add the following claims:

- 11. A method for protecting glial cells or non-dopaminergic neural cells in a mammal against death from neural injury or disease comprising the step of administering to said mammal a neuroprotective amount of a peptide selected from the group consisting of (a) the tripeptide gly-pro-glu (GPE); (b) the dipeptide gly-pro; and (c) the dipeptide pro-glu.
- A method as claimed in claim 11 wherein the peptide administered is GPE.

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